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Scheduled official meetings

Wednesday, 23 October 2002

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4631st meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary of the General Assembly on the strengthening of the United Nations

On Thursday, 24 October 2002, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, the President of the General Assembly will chair open-ended informal consultations of the plenary of the General Assembly on the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations: an agenda for further change" (documents A/57/387 and A/57/387/Corr.1). Ms. Louise Fréchette, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, will brief delegations and respond to questions. Delegations are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.

Security Council

An open meeting of the Security Council will be held on Friday, 25 October 2002, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the item entitled "Women and peace and security". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from Tuesday, 22 October 2002, between 9.30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

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General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 19th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. 20th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57, 58, 60-71):

Documents of the First Committee: *item 57* (A/57/263, A/57/263/Add.1); *item 60* (A/57/98-S/2002/705, A/C.1/57/L.47/Rev.1); item 61 (A/57/166, A/57/166/Add.1, A/C.1/57/L.1); *item 62* (A/C.1/57/L.50); *item 65* (A/57/418); *item 66* (A/57/95, A/57/95/Add.1, A/57/95/Add.2, A/57/96, A/57/114, A/57/114/Add.1, A/57/114/Add.2, A/57/117, A/57/120, A/57/121, A/57/121/Add.1, A/57/121/Add.2, A/57/124, A/57/159, A/57/160, A/57/167, A/57/167/Add.1, A/57/209, A/57/210, A/57/221, A/57/221/Add.1, A/57/221/Corr.1, A/57/229, A/57/383, A/57/401, A/57/425, A/57/59, A/57/88-S/2002/672, A/57/92, A/C.1/57/L.2/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.3/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.7/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.7/Rev.2), A/C.1/57/L.8, A/C.1/57/L.10, A/C.1/57/L.12, A/C.1/57/L.14, A/C.1/57/L.17, A/C.1/57/L.18, A/C.1/57/L.21, A/C.1/57/L.23/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.24/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.26/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.32, A/C.1/57/L.36, A/C.1/57/L.37, A/C.1/57/L.42, A/C.1/57/L.43, A/C.1/57/L.45, A/C.1/57/L.49/Rev.1, A/C.1/57/L.54, A/C.1/57/L.58); *item 67* (A/57/116, A/57/124, A/57/161, A/57/162, A/57/168, A/57/223, A/57/260, A/57/383, A/57/79-S/2002/551, A/C.1/57/L.11, A/C.1/57/L.15, A/C.1/57/L.16, A/C.1/57/L.20, A/C.1/57/L.29, A/C.1/57/L.35, A/C.1/57/L.38, A/C.1/57/L.55, A/C.1/57/L.56, A/C.1/57/L.57); *item 68* (A/57/27, A/57/42, A/57/302, A/57/335, A/57/342, A/C.1/57/L.6, A/C.1/57/L.13); *item 69* (A/57/454, A/C.1/57/L.27); *item 70* (A/57/181, A/C.1/57/L. 46); *item 71* (A/57/91, A/C.1/57/L.31); A/C.1/57/1, A/C.1/57/2, A/C.1/57/3, A/C.1/57/4, A/C.1/57/INF/1

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 24th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (A/57/296, A/57/395, A/C.3/57/L.7) . . . . . [106]

   Conclusion of general discussion

2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/57/3, Parts I and II[1]) . . . . . [107]

   (a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/57/18, A/57/83-E/2002/72, A/57/204, A/57/333, A/57/334)

   (b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/57/443, A/57/444)

   Right of peoples to self-determination (A/57/178, A/57/312) . . . . . [108]

   Introductory statements, dialogue and general discussion

[1] To be issued.

3–6 p.m. 25th meeting Conference Room 4

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [105]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/57/L.23, A/C.3/57/L.24 and A/C.3/57/L.25

2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/57/3, Parts I and II[1]) [107]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/57/18, A/57/83-E/2002/72, A/57/204, A/57/333, A/57/334)

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/57/443, A/57/444)

Right of peoples to self-determination (A/57/178, A/57/312) [108]

Continuation of general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 3

Pattern of conferences (A/57/32 and A57/32/Corr.1, A/57/228 and A/57/228/Add.1 and A/57/228Add.2, A/57/289, A/56/901 and A/57/472) [116]

Continuation of general discussion

Morning[1]
1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/57/11, A/57/60, A/57/65 and A/57/281-S/2002/895))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 14th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 am.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
2. International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations on agenda items 25 (b) and (c) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3–6 p.m. Trusteeship Council Chamber

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolutions on agenda item 25 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas/illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments) and agenda item 25 (c) (Agreement for

the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks)

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 23 October 2002

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: on agenda items 87 (b), (d), (e) and (f))*

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Meeting of JUSCANZ *(on Third Committee matters)*

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

African Group *(experts on Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Committee matters)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(briefings on the Doha process by UNCTAD and Oxfam; and on recent developments in the process of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) by Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary of UNCCD)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Meeting of the Planning and Management Task Force on the Democratic Republic of the Congo, convened by the Department of Disarmament Affairs

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Open-ended informal consultation on the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.7 (A/C.3/57/L.26) (Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues), organized by the delegation of Sweden

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(Third Committee: on Beijing+5)*

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

African Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Meeting of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Informal consultations of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 109 (a)), organized by the delegation of Iceland

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: on agenda items 93; and 86 (d) (draft resolution))*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Joint Meeting of the Economic Community of Central African States and the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa *(at the ministerial level)*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

2002 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

3–5.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Group of 77 *(Third Committee: on racism)*

3:30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 23 October 2002

Room S-226

11 a.m. H.E. Mr. J. Gabriel Valdés, Permanent Representative of Chile, and four women who will be addressing the meeting of the Security Council on "Women and peace and security" (to discuss the implementation of Security Council resolution 1325) (Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson, United States Congresswoman, will be the moderator)

12 noon Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator (to discuss her recent mission to the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Burundi)

1 p.m. Mr. Paddy Ashdown, High Representative for the Implementation of the Peace Agreement on Bosnia and Herzegovina

3 p.m. . . . . Mr. Jacques Klein, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Bosnia and Herzegovina

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 24 October 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 21st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Second Committee

3 p.m. . . . . 17th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Afternoon[1]. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6

[1] Following the adjournment of the 17th meeting of the Second Committee.

Third Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 26th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 15th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Morning[1]. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

[1] Following the adjournment of the 15th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 19th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations on agenda item 25 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 25 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 25 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on agenda items 25 (b) and (c) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolutions on agenda item 25 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas/illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments) and agenda item 25 (c) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Thursday, 24 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Second Committee

Briefing

There will be a briefing on "The development dimension of the post-Doha process", given by Ms. Manuela Tortora, Coordinator, Trade Negotiations and Commercial Diplomacy Branch, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, on Thursday, 24 October 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The briefing is jointly organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

2002 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and 2002 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

The 2002 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will be held on Tuesday, 5 November 2002, in the morning, and the 2002 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held on Wednesday, 6 November 2002, also in the morning. Both Pledging Conferences will be held in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to both pledging conferences, in writing, to Ms. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers for both Pledging Conferences will be open from Monday, 28 October, to Monday, 4 November. Delegations wishing to be inscribed for one or both pledging conferences are requested to contact the Ms. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism will give an oral briefing to interested Member States of the United Nations on Monday, 28 October 2002, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2002

The Economic and Social Council will hold its next meeting of its resumed substantive session of 2002 (to take up all outstanding matters) on Friday, 25 October 2002.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 *(Second Committee: agenda items 87 (b), (d), (e) and (f))*

There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(Second Committee: agenda items 87 (b), (d), (e) and (f))* on Thursday, 24 October 2002, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 9, and from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Mason Group *(First Committee)*

There will be a meeting of the Mason Group *(First Committee)* on Thursday, 24 October 2002, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on agenda item 24 (Culture of peace), organized by the delegation of Bangladesh

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on agenda item 24 (Culture of peace), organized by the delegation of Bangladesh, on Thursday, 24 October 2002, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations, organized by the delegation of Guyana, on the draft resolution on the role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order (agenda item 30)

There will be informal consultations, organized by the delegation of Guyana, on the draft resolution on the role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order (agenda item 30) on Thursday, 24 October 2002, at 4.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Briefing by the Executive Director of UNAIDS

There will be a joint briefing of the Second and Third Committees of the General Assembly, on Friday, 25 October 2002, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 4 featuring a briefing by Dr. Peter Piot, Executive Director of UNAIDS, followed by an interactive discussion.

In his briefing, Dr. Piot will update delegations on the forthcoming report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the twenty-sixth special session (HIV/AIDS) and the status of the HIV/AIDS epidemic worldwide. He will, in addition, share his views on the way forward in the global response to the epidemic.

The briefing is jointly convened by the Chairmen of the Second and Third Committees, in preparation for the consideration of item 42, which will take place on 8 November 2002 in plenary session.

Meeting of member countries of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization
(at the expert level)

There will be a meeting of member countries of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization *(at the expert level)*, to discuss the proposals on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization", on Friday, 25 October 2002, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR workshop on international trade negotiations

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of the International Trade Series. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York from Tuesday, 29 October to Friday, 1 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Thursday, 24 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603, tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 4 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., on Tuesday, 5 November, from 3 to 6 p.m., and on Wednesday, 6 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 30 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR Seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly organizing a seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties.

The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Tuesday and Wednesday, 12 and 13 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. A letter on this subject, including a

detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York.

The invitation to attend the seminar is extended not only to members of permanent missions, but also to members of the relevant ministries from capitals. The registration deadline is Tuesday, 5 November 2002. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963 9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology

As part of the series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology, the third and final high-level seminar of this year on "Policy Awareness and Security Issues on Information Technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 15 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. This interactive seminar is primarily aimed at ambassadors and other diplomats. However, all interested staff members as well as NGO representatives are welcome to attend. This seminar is part of the UNITAR series, launched under the auspices of the ICT Task Force and the Working Group on Informatics, and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of Intel Corporation. For further information please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Delegations are reminded that the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will conclude its consideration of agenda item 78 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) on Thursday, 24 October 2002, at 3 p.m. The Committee is also expected to take action at that time on the draft resolution entitled "International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers" (A/C.4/57/L.8).

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 2 October 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A.)

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 22 October 2002

Security Council

4630th meeting

Strengthening cooperation between the United Nations system and the Central African region in the maintenance of peace and security

Letter dated 21 October 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Cameroon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/1179)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Burundi, the Central African Republic, Chad, the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon and Japan at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Tuliameni Kalomoh, Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs; Mr. Emmanuel Mbi, Country Director for South-Central Africa and the Great Lakes Region of the World Bank; Ms. Julia Taft, Director of the Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery of the United Nations Development Programme; and His Excellency Mr. Ivan Šimonović, President of the Economic and Social Council.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 21 October 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations (S/2002/1178), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Amadou Kébé, Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 22 October 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Cameroon to the United Nations (S/2002/1181), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Cosme Nelson, Deputy Secretary-General of the Economic Community of Central African States.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Emmanuel Mbi, Country Director for South-Central Africa and the Great Lakes Region of the World Bank.

The Council heard a statement by Ms. Julia Taft, Director of the Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery of the United Nations Development Programme.

The Council heard a statement Mr. Ivan Šimonović, President of the Economic and Social Council.

Statements were made by His Excellency Mr. Rodolphe Adada, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of the Congo; His Excellency Mr. Agba Otikpo Mezode, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Central African Republic; His Excellency Mr. Jean Ping, Minister of State and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of Gabon; His Excellency Mr. Leonard She Okitundu, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and His Excellency Mr. Santiago Nsobeya Efuman Nchama, Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation and Francophonie of Equatorial Guinea, in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Statements were then made by the representative of Denmark (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the countries of Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union – Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia– and the associated countries, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, which aligned themselves with this statement), and by the representatives of Egypt and Japan, in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of Burundi and Chad in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by His Excellency Mr. Amadou Kébé.

The Council then heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by His Excellency Mr. Cosme Nelson.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Mauritius, China, the Syrian Arab Republic, Ireland, Guinea, Singapore, the Russian Federation, Colombia, Mexico, Bulgaria, the United Kingdom, Norway, France, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Cameroon.

Corrigendum

See *Journal* No. 2002/206, p. 12: the number of the meeting of the Security Council *should read* 4629th *instead of* 429th meeting.

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Main Committees

First Committee

18th meeting

The Committee continued its third stage of work, namely, action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57, 58 and 60-73).

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.5 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.9 was adopted by a recorded vote of 140 to none, with 2 abstentions. In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of the Republic of Korea.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.22 was adopted without a vote. In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.48 was adopted without a vote. In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Israel.

A general statement was made by the representative of the Russian Federation.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.30 was adopted by a recorded vote of 151 to none, with 2 abstentions. In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Denmark, who spoke on behalf of the European Union (The countries of Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union (Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) and the associated countries, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, as well as the EFTA countries of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Norway, aligned themselves with this explanation of vote).

A general statement was made by the representative of Israel.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.25 was adopted without a vote.

A statement was made by the representative of Lebanon.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.33* was adopted without a vote.

A statement was made by the representative of Djibouti.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.39 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/57/L.41 was adopted by a recorded vote of 149 to 1, with 1 abstention. In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of India.

A statement was made by the representative of El Salvador.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

14th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [78]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Bangladesh, Cuba, Tunisia, Brazil, Romania, Poland, Kenya, New Zealand, Norway,

Zambia, Uganda, Croatia, Turkey, India, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Australia, Thailand, Pakistan, Mali, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Kuwait and Ethiopia.

The Chairman drew members' attention to draft resolution A/C.4/57/L.8 entitled "International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers".

It was announced that the Committee would conclude its general debate on this item on Thursday, 24 October, at 3 p.m.

Second Committee

16th meeting

Environment and sustainable development . . . . . [87]

(b) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(d) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

(e) Convention on Biological Diversity

(f) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The Committee continued its consideration of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum), Iraq, Sri Lanka and Suriname.

The representative of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

The Committee thus concluded its general consideration of the item.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under sub-items 87 (b), (d), (e) and (f) was Monday, 28 October 2002, at 1 p.m.

Fifth Committee

13th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [112]

Decentralized budgetary and financial arrangements for central services (A/57/348, A/57/7/Add.3)

Cooperation between headquarters departments and regional commissions (A/57/361, E/2002/15 and E/2002/15/Add.1, E/2002/15/Add.2 and E/2002/15/Add.3 and E/2002/15/Add.3/Corr.1, A/57/7/Add.3)

Delivery of advisory services (A/57/363, A/57/7/Add.3)

Plan to increase the regular budget component of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (A/57/362, A/57/7/Add.3)

Strengthening the Department of Public Information, within the existing capacity, in order to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages of the Organization (A/57/355, A/57/7/Add.2)

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [111]

Common services (A/57/176, A/57/7/Add.3)

The Committee continued its general discussion of the afore-mentioned reports and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa, the United States and Japan under agenda item 112.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised under agenda item 112.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee agreed that the Secretariat should prepare, for the future consideration of the Committee, draft decisions that would recommend that the General Assembly: (a) Take note of the report of the Secretary-General on decentralized budgetary and financial arrangements for central services (A/57/348) and concur with the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon (A/57/7/Add.3); (b) Decide to take note of the conclusions contained in paragraphs 32 to 37 of the report of the Secretary-General on the delivery of advisory services (A/57/363); (c) Decide to take note of the report of the Secretary-General on trends in extra-budgetary resources at the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and the impact on its capacity to carry out the programme of work (A/57/364); and (d) Decide to take note of the report of the Secretary-General on common services (A/57/176).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Sixth Committee

18th meeting

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fifth session . . . . . [155]

The Chairman of the Committee, on behalf of the Bureau, introduced draft resolution A/C.6/57/L.15.

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives . . . . . [153]

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/57/L.18 without a vote. Belize, Canada, Georgia and Suriname joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts . . . . . [152]

The representative of Sweden introduced draft resolution A/C.6/57/L.17. Malta joined as sponsor of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/57/L.17 without a vote.

The representatives of Israel and Egypt made statements in explanation of position after the adoption of the draft resolution. The representative of Jordan made a statement.

Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property . . . . . [154]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 154.

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property introduced the report of the Ad Hoc Committee (A/57/22).

The representatives of Japan, Norway, Germany, Switzerland, Mexico, the Islamic Republic of Iran, China, the United Kingdom, Greece, Portugal, Australia and South Africa made statements.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Trade and Development Board
Forty-ninth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Friday, 18 October 2002

936th plenary meeting

Adoption of the report on credentials . . . . . [1 (c)]

The Board adopted the report of its Bureau on the credentials of the representatives attending the forty-ninth session document (TD/B/49/13).

Provisional agenda for the fiftieth session of the Board . . . . . [1 (d)]

The Board agreed to recommend that the provisional agenda for the fiftieth session be prepared by the secretariat at a later stage and submitted to the President's Consultations.

Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Developing countries in world trade . . . . . [3]

Under this item, the President briefly summed up the main points made in the plenary and with panellists.

The Board decided to include the closing comments of the President under this item in its report to the General Assembly.

Report of Sessional Committee I

Progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 . . . . . [4]

(a) Implementation of UNCTAD-wide activities in favour of LDCs

(b) The least developed country status: Effective benefits and the question of graduation

Under this item, the Board adopted the draft agreed conclusions as contained in document TD/B/49/SC.1/L.2, took note of the report of the Committee in documents TD/B/48/SC.1/L.1 and TD/B/48/SC.1/L.1/Add.1, and decided that the report of Sessional Committee I would form an integral part of the full report of the Board's proceedings.

Report of Sessional Committee II

UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: Structural adjustment and poverty reduction in Africa . . . . . [5]

Under this item, the Board adopted the draft agreed conclusions as contained in an informal paper dated 18 October 2002, took note of the report of the Committee in documents TD/B/49/SC.2/L.1, TD/B/49/SC.2/L.1/Add.1 and TD/B/49/SC.2/L.1/Add.2,

and decided that the report of Sessional Committee II would form an integral part of the full report of the Board's proceedings.

Review of development and issues in the post-Doha work programme of particular concern to developing countries . . . . . [6]

The President made a closing statement reflecting the discussions on this item. The Board took note of the report contained in document TD/B/49/12 and decided to reflect the comments of the President in the Board's report to the General Assembly under this item.

Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters . . . . . [10]

(b) Administrative and financial implications of the actions of the Board

The Board was informed that there were no financial implications arising from the work of its current session.

Other business . . . . . [11]

The Board had no other business under this agenda item.

Adoption of the report . . . . . [12]

The Board adopted its report as contained in documents TD/B/49/L.2, TD/B/49/L.2/Add.1, TD/B/49/L.2/Add.2, TD/B/49/L.2/Add.3 and TD/B/49/L.2/Add.4, and authorized the Rapporteur, under the authority of the President, to finalize the report of the Board to the General Assembly, taking into account the proceedings of this final plenary.

Mr. Carlos Fortin, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made a concluding statement.

Closing statements

Closing statements were made by the representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union, the countries of Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union – Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia – as well as Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, also associated with the Euopean Union), Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Benin (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Switzerland (on behalf of JUSCANZ), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), Uganda, Japan, China and Bangladesh.

Closure of the session

The President declared the forty-ninth session of the Board closed.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Seventy-sixth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Monday, 21 October 2002

2051st meeting *Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant* [10]

The Committee considered the item in closed session.

2052nd meeting — *Submission of reports by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant* . . . . . [6]

The Committee began its consideration of the third periodic report of Togo (CCPR/C/TGO/2001/3).

Tuesday, 22 October 2002

2053rd meeting — *Submission of reports by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant* . . . . . [6]

The Committee concluded its consideration of the third periodic report of Togo (CCPR/C/TGO/2001/3).

2054th meeting — *Submission of reports by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant* . . . . . [6]

The Committee began its consideration of the question of Suriname (non-reporting State party).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to article 7 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 20 May 1965

Acceptance: Yemen (18 October 2002)[1]

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Ratification: Mozambique (21 October 2002)[1]

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: New Zealand (22 October 2002)

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

DPI/NGO Briefing

The topic of this week's DPI/NGO Briefing is "The Disarmament Agenda: Pressing Issues" The briefing will be held on Thursday, 24 October 2002, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. A thematically relevant video will be screened at 10 a.m. The briefing will feature Mr. Kevin Dowling, Head, Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Section, Department of Foreign Affairs, Ireland; Ms. Randall Forsberg, Director, Institute for Defense and Disarmament Studies; Mr. Joseph Sherwood McGinnis, Deputy Permanent Representative of United States to the Conference on Disarmament; and Mr. Randy Rydell, Senior Political Affairs Officer, Department of Disarmament Affairs. This briefing is organized by the Department of

Public Information in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are also invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Oleg Dzioubinski, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Launch of the 2002 Edition of the Small Arms Survey Yearbook

There will be a launch of the French and English editions of the *2002 Small Arms Survey Yearbook*, co-sponsored by the Department for Disarmament Affairs and the Small Arms Survey project, on Thursday 24 October 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala; H.E. Mr. Hubert de la Fortelle (France); H.E. Mr. Christian Faessler (Switzerland); Prof. Keith Krause and Prof. Edward Lawrence will be the speakers. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Herbert Loret, Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-0049; fax.1 (212) 963-1121; email loret@un.org).

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 2002 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Egypt
H.E. Mr. Ahmed Aboul Gheit

Asian States:
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H.E. Mr. Mohammed A. Aldouri

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Yugoslavia
H.E. Mr. Dejan Šahović

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H.E. Mr. Philip Sealy

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H.E. Mr. Jeremy Greenstock

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